I am weak; yet dying, I murmur not that I no tonger see: Poor, old, and helpless, I the more belonging.

Father supreme, to Thee.

Oh, merciful One!

When men are far, hest then Thou art most near:

When men pass coldly by-my weakness shun-

Thy chariot I hear.

Thy glorious face

Is leaning toward me, and its holy light

Shines upon my lowly dwellingplace,

And there is no more night.

On bended knee

I recognize Thy purpose clearly shown;

My vision Thou hast dimmed that I might see

Thyself-Thyself alone.

I have naught to fear.

This darkness is the shadow of Thy-wing;

Beneath it I am almost sacred; here

Can come no evil thing.

Oh, it is great, and there is no other greatness—to make one nook of God's creation more fruitful, better, more worthy of God; to make some human heart a little wiser, manlier, happier — more blessed, less accursed.—Carlyle.

There is but one vital question before this Territory today and for all future time.

Shall we be ruled and dictated to, in legislation or out, by the canaille? Or, from the lowest office to the highest shall it be a man who makes for righteousness -one who is seeking by every act and word to help up-lift, up-build our beautiful, unique country? That is the all-important question to put before the President and Congress in December. Shall the power be granted to the Governor of Hawaii to see that good men are in office, and that bad men are where they have a right to be? After that is settled, in the right way, true prosperity will attack us with a firm and healthful grip and the Territory will move on, at a steady pace, to Statehood. We can't write what would be the dark side, if our enemies were to prevail. We have faith in an over-ruling Providence and look forward to "stirring times."

"We shall meet the people who are coming to meet us from many strange places and by many strange roads; and what it is set for them to do to us, and what it is set for us to do to them will all be done."

G. P. R. JAMES.

Serene I fold my hands and wait Nor care for wind, or tide, or sea:

I rave no more 'gainst Time or Fate.

For lo! my own shall come to me.

I stay my haste, I make delays, For what avails this eager pace? I stand amid the eternal ways,

And what is mine shall know my face.

Asleep, awake, by night or day, The friends I seek are seeking me;

No wind can drive my bark astry,

Nor change the tide of destiny. What matter if I stand alone?

I wait with joy the coming years;

My heart shall reap where it hath sown.

And garner up its fruit of tears. The waters know their own, and

The brook that springs in yonder heights;

So flows the good with equal law, Unto the soul of pure delights. The stars come nightly to the sky

The tidal waves unto the sea; Nor Time, nor Space, nor Deep nor High

Can keep my own away from me.—Burroughs.

"There's a Divinity that shapes our ends, rough-hew them as we will,"—Shakespeare.

It is, to-day, a widely-spread and known fact that nowhere in the world can be found a race more lovable and more loving, fonder of the truly beautiful in color and in scene, fonder of music and of song, fonder of peace, of quiet and of comfort than the native Hawaiian. They would seek at all times the cool and shady spots for their home, the lovely valleys and resting places near to clear streams and trees of their own planting. How more than sad that so many of them, to-day, are

but vagrants and wanderers in their own Hawaii.

The crying, all-important need now is to do the best, the very best, for the children that they may take an honorable place in this Territory which will become an important State.

Let us anticipate a number of Manual Training Schools, Farm Schools or whatever name you will, provided they do not even savor of the country school of today. We know we shall make enemies in what we have to say on this subject of vital, paramount importance to the native child and dear to our heart, but we waive all that, having no ax to grind, and repeat what we said in the October issue: let us have an industrial school on, at least, five of these islands as soon as possible. Expensive in th ebeginning but income-bringing in the end, and more than all money, a saving of life and of character.

## THE HAWAIIAN LIFE-SAV-ING INSTITUTIONS.

"What do I mean by that?" I know to the last letter of the Alphabet what I mean.

As things are going now, and I do not say that our teachers are not faithful for they are, from Sunday morning to Saturday night; but as things are, the children will not as a rule live out half their days. True it is they swim, but they do not bathe, do not wash properly every day with soap and water. They are not groomed in a wholesome manner—not at all.

True it is they eat; but, it is too much to-day often, and then a scarcity for days together.

True it is they sleep; but how, and when and where? It is something, that alone, worth looking into.

Oh yes, I know perfectly what I am talking about—know my ground and wish it were pleasanter. It is indeed a bitter truth.

Now, some these native children under ten years of age know the taste of liquor, they smoke, they chew tobacco, they use profanity; often idle for hours and on the